

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1419

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NAVRATNA STATUS TO OTHER PUBLIC SECTOR UNITS

A. VENKATESH NAIK

Will the Minister of HEAVY INDUSTRIES AND PUBLIC ENTERPRISES be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Government have conferred Navratna status to some Public Sector Units in the recent past;
- (b) if so, the names of such PSUs;
- (c) Whether the Government propose to give Navratna status to some other PSUs and have also decided to deprive certain units who have also been conferred Navratna status units; and
- (d) If so, the details thereof and reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises (SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI)

(a) & (b): Yes, Sir. In the recent past Government have conferred Navratna status to 11 Central PSUs viz., Indian Oil Corpn (IOC), Oil & Natural Gas Corpn. Ltd. (ONGC), Hindustan Petroleum Corpn Ltd. (HPCL), Bharat Petroleum Corpn. Ltd.(BPCL), Gas Authority India Ltd. (GAIL), Steel Authority of India Ltd. (SAIL), National Thermal Power Corpn. (NTPC), Videsh Sanchar Nigam Ltd. (VSNL), Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. (MTNL), Bharat Heavy Electricals Ltd (BHEL) and Indian Petrochemicals Corpn. Ltd (IPCL).

(c)& (d): Review of Navratna status presently conferred on CPSUs or addition of new PSUs in the list of Navratnas is a continuous process . There is at present , no proposal to withdraw the Navratna status from any of the Navratna CPSUs.